



Early Journal Content on JSTOR, Free to Anyone in the World

This article is one of nearly 500,000 scholarly works digitized and made freely available to everyone in the world by JSTOR.

Known as the Early Journal Content, this set of works include research articles, news, letters, and other writings published in more than 200 of the oldest leading academic journals. The works date from the mid-seventeenth to the early twentieth centuries.

We encourage people to read and share the Early Journal Content openly and to tell others that this resource exists. People may post this content online or redistribute in any way for non-commercial purposes.

Read more about Early Journal Content at <http://about.jstor.org/participate-jstor/individuals/early-journal-content>.

JSTOR is a digital library of academic journals, books, and primary source objects. JSTOR helps people discover, use, and build upon a wide range of content through a powerful research and teaching platform, and preserves this content for future generations. JSTOR is part of ITHAKA, a not-for-profit organization that also includes Ithaka S+R and Portico. For more information about JSTOR, please contact support@jstor.org.

BELGIUM.

Further relative to plague cases on steamship Rubens at Antwerp—Vessel again deratized.

The following information is received from the Belgian legation through the Department of State, under date of May 21:

The *Rubens* sailed April 27, after being again deratized. The crew shipped with the exception of the two patients. One of the patients is entirely well. The condition of the second is considerably improved. No other case of plague has occurred.

See Public Health Reports, May 21, 1909, page 692.

CHINA.

Report from Amoy—Inspection of vessels—Examination of emigrants—Leprosy, plague, and smallpox.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Foster reports, April 20:

Week ended April 17. Bills of health issued to 2 steamships.

April 11, the British steamship *Taisang*, with 66 in the crew, 38 cabin and 160 steerage passengers, for Manila, was granted a bill of health. Six steerage passengers were rejected for trachoma and 1 cabin passenger for leprosy.

April 12, the British steamship *Zafiro*, with 74 in crew, 106 cabin and 401 steerage passengers, for Manila, was granted a supplemental bill of health. Eight steerage passengers were rejected for trachoma and 2 steerage passengers for scabies.

Leprosy, plague, and smallpox are present in Amoy.

Reports from Shanghai—Inspection of vessels—Examination of emigrants—Plague-infected rats; new foci of infection found—Smallpox on U. S. S. Helena.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Ransom reports, April 20 and 28:

Week ended April 17. One original and 8 supplemental bills of health were granted to 9 vessels having an aggregate personnel of 3,364. There were inspected 3 vessels, 416 members of crews, and 19 steerage passengers; also 2 pieces of personal effects. Manifests were viséed for 6,382 packages of freight. One emigrant for San Francisco per steamship *Korea* was examined and passed, and 1 was rejected on account of trachoma.

The United States cruisers *Galveston*, *Charleston*, *Denver*, *Cleveland*, and *Chattanooga* were granted bills of health for ports in Japan and China, with Manila as the final destination, upon certificate from their surgeons.

Infected rats continue to be found.

At the request of the surgeon of the United States ship *Helena* I visited that vessel on Friday, April 16, to inspect the vaccinations of the crew. Fifty-seven members of crew were revaccinated. Of the remaining members of the crew there were about 20 typical "takes," while the remainder showed reaction to a greater or less degree. The case of smallpox removed from this vessel developed a very severe confluent type. Two suspects are at present in the isolation hospital.

Week ended April 24. One supplemental bill of health was granted during the week to 1 steamship with a personnel of 63. There were inspected 1 vessel and 63 members of crew. There were also inspected 21 packages of freight, 1 of which, green hides, was rejected and 20 of which were disinfected with formalin.

Plague conditions in Shanghai remain unchanged. No human cases have been reported. Plague-infected rats continue to be found in the several sections of the settlement. Since my last report 20 new foci of rat infection have been discovered, distributed as follows: Eastern district, 10; northern district, 8; central district, 2. In the eastern district one focus was established adjoining the water works. The remainder of these foci in this district were in the immediate vicinity of localities previously known to be infected. But in the case of the northern and central districts considerable new territory was involved.

Reports from Hankau for the week ended April 17 show that relapsing fever prevails to some extent among the poorer class of natives at that place. The same reports show that a foreign hide inspector there died of pulmonary anthrax.

COSTA RICA.

Reports from Limon, fruit port.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Goodman reports:

Week ended May 15. Estimated population, 8,000. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.

Bills of health issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.
May 8	Greenbrier.....	New Orleans.....	46	1	0
9	San Jose.....	Boston.....	44	6	0
10	August Wilhelm.....	New York.....	140	47	24
11	Zent.....	do.....	53	13	0
12	Abangarez.....	New Orleans.....	86	7	28
14	Chirripo.....	New York.....	54	16	0

Week ended May 22. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.

Bills of health issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.
May 15	Bertha.....	New Orleans.....	25	0	0
16	Esparta.....	Boston.....	43	7	0
17	Sibiria.....	New York.....	60	22	0
19	Parissima.....	New Orleans.....	91	3	75
20	Corinto.....	do.....	21	6	0
21	Chickahominy.....	do.....	46	0	0
22	Helen.....	Mobile.....	22	0	0